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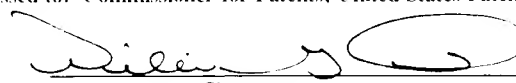
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Respectfully submitted,

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I, Helmut Fritz, associated with the preparation and prosecution of the above-identified application, residing at Kreuzstraße 11, 83624 Otterfing, Germany, wish to call the attention of the Patent Examiner to the references enumerated on the enclosed PTO Form-1449.

I believe the documents enumerated on the enclosed Form PTO-1449 and attached thereto, are cited in the enclosed European Search Report and may be material to the examination of the application.

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I wish to comment as follows concerning the prior art references enumerated on PTO Form-1449:

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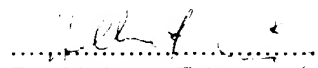
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Signed this 6<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2001 .

  
Dr. Helmut Fritz